

SMUGGLERS Cafe

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The River Hour

Daily from 4pm-6pm
\$2.50 Beers (Domestics)

Delivery Monday-Friday 11am-2pm · Catering · Take-Out
Reserve the Smuggling Room for you party or event

Any Good Meal includes **Dessert!**

Ask your server about our selection of homemade desserts!

Or

Wander across the road for **Soft Ice Cream!**

Just Leaving the Dock

Marina Fries \$4.00
Heaping basket of Homemade Fries
Cover 'em with Butter Garlic or Cheese & Gravy (\$1.00)

Basket of Onion Rings \$5.00

Fried Mozzarella Wedges \$6.50
Six quarter-moon Mozzarella Wedges served with a
side of Marinara

Basket of Fried Mushrooms \$6.00

Basket of Spicy Pub Pickles \$6.00
Sliced, breaded and fried!

Jumbo 'Gatchie Wings \$10.00
The Oswegatchie take on Chicken Wings,
10 Jumbo wings any way you want 'em
Mild, Medium, Hot, Sweet & Sassy, BBQ, Butter Garlic,
Sriracha

Calamari \$8.00
Fresh Calamari sliced, breaded, and fried right
here ... tentacles and all

Hummus with Pita Chips \$7.50
Basket of Homemade Pita Chips and Hummus

Tackle Boxes

Smuggler's Sampler Platter \$12.00
∞ Chicken Tenders
∞ Fried Mushrooms
∞ Spicy Pub Pickles
∞ Mozzarella Moons
∞ Onion Rings

A Taste of the River \$12.00
∞ Fish Bites
∞ Clam Strips
∞ Calamari
∞ Fried Shrimp

Crates

All Crates served with your choice of Side
Clam Strips \$9.00
Basket of Clam Strips with Cocktail Sauce.

Fried Shrimp \$9.00
Basket of Fried Jumbo Shrimp with Cocktail
Sauce.

Chicken Tenders (Plain or Fiery) \$8.00
Four Chicken Tenders have 'em plain or covered
in one of our wing sauces!



Seaweed

The Smuggler's House Salad 🍷 \$4.00/ \$6.00

Mixed Greens topped with all the veggies we can find,
Small or Large

Caesar Salad 🍷 \$6.00

Romaine Lettuce with Shaved Parmesan and Croutons
Served with a Caesar Dressing.

B.L.T. Salad \$8.00

A BLT that you can feel good about! Romaine Lettuce
topped with Apple-Wood Smoked Bacon, Tomato,
Croutons, Red Onion, and Shredded Cheese

Chef Salad \$9.00

Mixed Greens topped with Turkey, Ham, Provolone
Cheese, Tomato, Red Onion

Strawberry Chicken Salad 🍷 \$8.50

Mixed Greens topped Strawberry, Granny Smith Apple,
Almonds, Red Onion, and Grilled Chicken served with a
Raspberry Vinaigrette

Fiery Chicken Salad \$8.50

Romaine Lettuce, Red Onion, Cherry Tomatoes,
Chopped Celery, Croutons, topped with Breaded Spicy
Chicken

Cobb Salad \$9.00

Romaine Lettuce topped with Grilled Chicken, Egg
Bacon, Avocado, Tomatoes, and crumbly Bleu Cheese

If the salad lacks Chicken, add some + \$2

Prefer Fish add Fried Haddock + \$2

If the salad already has chicken, take it away -\$2

Waterfront Wraps

Fiery Finger Wrap (Plain or Fiery) \$8.00

Breaded Chicken Strips topped with Provolone Cheese,
Lettuce, Tomato, Red Onion, and drizzled with Ranch

Tuna Wrap \$8.00

White Albacore Tuna, topped with Romaine Lettuce,
Tomato, Red Onion, Provolone Cheese served on a
Garlic Herb Wrap

Roast Beef with Horsey Sauce \$8.00

Roast Beef, Swiss, Romaine Lettuce, Tomato
with our Horsey Sauce on a Garlic Herb Wrap

Chicken Caesar Wrap 🍷 \$8.00

Grilled Chicken, with Romaine Lettuce, topped with
Shaved Parmesan, Croutons dressed with Caesar Dressing

Honey Mustard Chicken Wrap 🍷 \$8.00

Grilled Chicken topped with Romaine Lettuce, Tomato,
and Provolone Cheese with Honey Mustard Dressing

Avocado Veggie Wrap \$8.00

Mixed Greens with Red Peppers, Avocado, Red Onion,
Portobello Mushroom, and Ranch Dressing

B.L.T. Wrap \$8.00

Apple-wood Smoked Bacon, with Romaine Lettuce,
Tomato

Paninis from the Pier

Hawaiian Panini \$8.50

Freshly Sliced Ham, Pineapple, and Provolone Cheese

Garlic Roast Beef Panini \$8.50

Freshly Sliced Roast Beef, Red Onion, Roasted Red
Peppers, Portobello Mushroom, Provolone Cheese,
with a Garlic Mayo

Turkey Apple Panini \$8.50

Freshly Sliced Turkey, Provolone Cheese, Granny Smith
Apple with Homemade Cranberry Mayo

Turkey Bacon Avocado Panini \$8.50

Freshly Sliced Turkey topped with Apple-wood Smoked
Bacon, Avocado, and Provolone Cheese

Tuna Melt \$8.50

Provolone Cheese melted over White Albacore Tuna

Caprese Panini 🍷 \$8.50

Fresh Mozzarella, Tomato topped with our Basil Pesto
Add Chicken (\$1.00)

The Maple \$8.50

Grilled Chicken Breast with Swiss Cheese, Bacon,
Green Apple with a Maple mayo

Looking for a light meal, Have Half for \$5.50

All of our paninis are made fresh to order!

Sand-bar-wiches

Classic Roast Beef, Ham, or Turkey \$8.00

You can't go wrong with these classics served on your
choice of bread with Lettuce, Tomato, and cheese.

B.L.T. \$8.00

Apple-wood Smoked Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato served
on your choice of White or Wheat bread. We serve our
BLT with Mayo. Want it on the side? Or none at all? Just
let us know we'd be happy to make it your way!

Turkey Club \$9.00

Triple Decker Turkey Sandwich 🍷 with Bacon, Lettuce,
Tomato and Mayo. Hope you brought your appetite!

Grilled Chicken Sandwich \$8.00

Grilled Chicken Breast topped with Melted Provolone
Cheese, Lettuce and Tomato

Beef On Weck \$8.50

House Roasted Roast Beef on a Kummelweck Roll
served with Au Jus

Pot Roast Sandwich \$9.00

House cooked Pot Roast topped with Portobello
mushroom and roasted red peppers, and cheese



If you see the apple, it's all good!

Bootlegger Burgers

Smuggler's Burger \$8.50

1/3 lb Burger with Lettuce, Tomato, Red Onion, and American Cheese

Breakfast Burger \$9.00

1/3 lb Burger with American Cheese covered with an over easy Egg

Black & Bleu Burger \$9.00

1/3 lb Burger with Lettuce, Tomato, Red Onion smothered in Crumbly Bleu Cheese

Avocado Burger \$9.00

1/3 lb Burger with American Cheese and Avocado

BBQ Burger \$8.75

1/3 lb Burger with grilled Onion and American Cheese covered in BBQ sauce

Portobello Mushroom Burger \$9.00

1/3 lb Burger topped with Portobello Mushroom, Roasted Red Peppers and Provolone Cheese

Vegetarian? 🍅

Replace any burger with a Vegetarian Garden Burger

Carnivore?

Add Bacon to any burger for \$1.00

Musky Bait

Fish Sandwich \$8.00

Fresh Haddock breaded to order and fried, served with your choice of side or ask for it baked!

Fish Fry (Friday's Only) \$11.50

Fresh Haddock with Cole Slaw, Homemade Fries or Mac & Cheese. Can't decide? Have half & half.

Add a second piece of Haddock +\$3

Minnows

Hotdog (add an extra dog \$1) \$5.00

Grilled Cheese \$5.00

Peanut Butter & Jelly \$4.00

Two Chicken Tenders \$5.00

Fish Bites \$7.00

50 cents from every kids meal is donated to the Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club

All wraps, sandwiches, paninis, burgers, & kids meals are served with your choice of a side:

Freshly Cut Homemade Fries

Cup of Soup

Side Salad 🍅

Fruit Cup 🍅

Bag of Chips

Onion Rings

Fridays:

Mac & Cheese

Seasonal Sides:

Macaroni Salad

Potato Salad

Pasta Salad

First Mate's Flatbread Pizzas

Buffalo Chicken \$9.00

Breaded Spicy Chicken Strips, covered in Wing Sauce, Blue Cheese and shredded Mozzarella Cheese

BBQ Chicken \$9.00

Breaded Chicken smothered in BBQ Sauce and topped with shredded Mozzarella Cheese

Hawaiian \$9.00

Traditional Pizza topped with Ham and Pineapple

Margarita \$9.00

Sliced Tomatoes, Fresh Mozzarella, topped with Basil

White Garlic \$9.00

Butter Garlic sauce topped with Shredded Mozzarella Cheese

Make it a Half Pizza- \$5.00

Make Your Own

Pepperoni, Sausage, Extra Cheese, Onion, Green Pepper, Mushroom, Chicken, Tomato

\$8.50 + .25 each ingredient

Return to Prohibition

We proudly serve Pepsi Products \$2.25

Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Sierra Mist, Mountain Dew, Ginger Ale, Pink Lemonade, Iced Tea (Sweet, Unsweetened, Half & Half), Orange Juice, Cranberry Juice, Milk, Hot Tea, Coffee (Regular or Decaf)

Moonshine

Ask your server for our complete list of beers, wines, spirits, and specialty drinks!

Galley Grub

Captain's Homemade Soup bowl \$4

Ask your server the soup changes on a regular basis cup \$3

A History of Smuggling in Ogdensburg

By James E. Reagen

It's been said that one of the previous owners of this property made enough money to start his legitimate business by running liquor across the border during Prohibition. I don't know if that story is true, but it's no secret that smuggling has been associated with Ogdensburg for over 200 years.

The Maple City has enjoyed a colorful reputation as a haven for smugglers since its first American settlers arrived here in 1796, shortly after the British were forced to evacuate Fort Oswegatchie and renounce all claims to Northern New York with the adoption of the Jay Treaty.

In 1807, when the U.S. Congress banned trade with England, Ogdensburg's founding fathers ignored the new law since the community's entire economy was based on trading across the river with their British Canadian neighbors.

An angry U.S. President Thomas Jefferson retaliated by sending troops here to stop the smuggling, enforce the Embargo Act and to prevent trade with British Canada. Shortly after the troops left, David Parish, one of the wealthiest men in America, built a large stone store at the meeting place of the Oswegatchie River and the St. Lawrence River. When it opened in 1809, it was the largest store on the St. Lawrence River in Northern New York. With only a few hundred people living on the American frontier, most of Parish's customers were the British Canadians living on the northern side of the river.

In 1812 when war broke out, American troops were dispatched to Ogdensburg where they again discovered that its leading citizens were not only ignoring the trade embargo with Britain, but that British officers were being invited over for tea at Parish's Mansion (now known as the Remington Museum).

In January, 1813, St. Lawrence County Court Judge Nathan Ford convicted Customs officers of assault for interfering with local smugglers. He wanted to send a strong message to federal authorities to leave local enterprising businessmen alone. General Zebulon Pike responded by helping Customs officials arrest nine smugglers, Judge Ford retaliated again by issuing warrants, arresting and jailing two U.S. Army officers for trespass, assault and false imprisonment of the smugglers. Ogdensburg later named Ford Street and Ford Avenue in his honor.

When the British invaded across the ice in February, 1813, Parish's store and his house were among the few that were not ransacked by British troops.

After the battle, Parish brokered a deal that kept US troops out of Ogdensburg for the rest of the war, allowing him to reopen his store so he could continue smuggling goods back and forth across the border. Ironically, years later U.S. Customs bought the store built by Ogdensburg's most famous smuggler, and today the Robert C. McEwen Customs Building houses the U.S. Border Patrol.

In 1919 when Congress banned the manufacture or sale of beer and liquor, Ogdensburg's traditional role as a home to smugglers resumed. Known as "Little Chicago" for its speak easies, brothels and trade in illicit alcohol, many city residents made their fortune smuggling beer and liquor from Canada through Ogdensburg.

The late Mark Coakley once recalled that smugglers during Prohibition would sit in their boat out at Ogdensburg's sandbar and wait for the lights to go out at the Customs station. When the officers would leave for the night, they would unload their shipment of booze in a bread truck that would wait for the Border Patrol to leave before it would pull up to the shore to pick up a shipment.

The late Ray Kentner of Waddington once told a reporter that a wagon that travelled from farm to farm on the Ogdensburg to Waddington road during prohibition actually carried a supply of liquor underneath a fake floor.

The Blue Church cemetery in Maitland, Ont., just a few miles west of Ogdensburg, reportedly has hollow grave stones where bottles of liquor were hidden. American bootleggers would land at the shore, sneak into the graveyard and unscrew metal plates covering the hidden compartments in the headstones.

The Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce advises scuba divers to be on the lookout for sunken cars and trucks littering the bottom of the St. Lawrence River that fell through the ice when smugglers drove them from Canada to the U.S., carrying loads of illicit booze.

Bootleggers would sometimes fill wooden crates with bottles of liquor, salt and a flotation device. If federal agents looked like they were going to intercept their boat, they would throw the crate overboard and it would quickly sink to the bottom because of weight of the salt. The federal agents would search the smugglers boat and find nothing while the water would dissolve the salt. When the crate bobbed back to the surface, the rum runner would be waiting to retrieve his illicit contraband. Today, scuba divers still find bottles of Canadian liquor and beer littering the bottom of the St. Lawrence River.

By the 1940s and 1950s, the rumrunners were gone, but Ogdensburg's reputation as the "sin city" of Northern New York was still intact. With more bars than churches and most of them lining the waterfront, Canadians from across Ontario would use the ferry to travel here and party on weekends. Many of the bars, stores and civic clubs operated illegal slot machines and other kinds of gambling.